

## HALF MILLION MEN ARE OUT SAY STRIKE LEADERS

### OPERATORS SAY THIS IS NOT CORRECT

DEPRIVED OF LEADERSHIP BY ORDER OF THE COURTS MEN DO NOT WAIT FOR MIDNIGHT TO WALK OUT—GOVERNMENT PREPARED TO PUT DOWN ALL DISORDERS AND PROTECT THOSE AT WORK.

(By United Press.)

Union leaders claimed today that nearly four hundred thousand coal miners in the country had responded to the strike call, effective last midnight. This figure represents practically the entire union membership.

Operators generally made no estimate of the number of men out. In a few instances where they did their figures were much lower than the union claims, though in one or two cases rival estimates agreed.

Federal troops were scattered throughout principal mining districts but their services were unrequired to repress any disturbances up to noon.

(By United Press.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 1—Deprived of leadership the court's order miners, the number variously estimated, went on strike at midnight. Early reports, based on claims of union officials, indicate that response to the strike order had been general in some districts.

Federal troops were mobilized at strategic positions ready to act immediately in case of disorder.

The unions claim that a hundred thousand miners walked out in the Pittsburgh and Clearfield districts of western Pennsylvania. The operators countered with a claim that 40,000 non-union miners in the Connelville region remained at work. Eastern Tennessee and southeastern Kentucky, 17,500 are out, in Alabama 20,000 out, central Illinois districts 80,000 out, Kansas district 12,000 out, West Virginia district 45,000 to 5,000 out, Maryland district 8,000 out, southern Illinois and Missouri district 31,000 out, southern Indiana practically all out.

Union workers claimed that later in the day reports would show that practically a hundred per cent of the miners had responded to the strike order.

### TIBET GOAT TO BLEAT DOWN COST OF FURS.

Fashion Decided That Pelt Under New Treatment Is.

LONDON, Nov. 1—Women who have been in despair over the price of furs have now cause for rejoicing. Fashion has been busy on their behalf. The result is the very modish and equally becoming pelt known as Tibet goat. Under its old guise, crinkled and curled, it provided baby necklets and muffs, perambulator covers for children, sofa and hearth rugs. It appears now entirely devoid of curl and very much improved by a new process that turns it out a rich, deep, straight and fairly short pelt of most attractive guise, a creamy white shade or, more serviceably, a pretty gray. It does not seek to rival the white fox, but its price is decidedly in its favor. A tie of white fox at \$60 will be refused by the economical when one of Tibet goat can be bought for \$6.

### STRIKE TIES UP SHIPPING

(By United Press.)

MOBILE, Nov. 1—Shipping is at a complete standstill here today as a result of the tugboat engineers' strike for increased pay.

### "REDS" OF GARY ARE RAIDED AND DISARMED



Weapons, revolutionary flag and other things captured in a raid made by federal troops on the headquarters of the bolshevik of Gary, Ind.

### BIG RED CROSS RALLY TO TAKE PLACE SUNDAY

CITIZENSHIP OF ENTIRE COUNTRY INVITED TO ATTEND EXERCISES TO BE HELD FOR PURPOSE OF ABUSING INTEREST IN ROLL CALL.

It is expected that standing room will be at a premium at the Grand theater tomorrow afternoon when the mass meeting is held for the purpose of arousing interest in the Third Red Cross Roll Call, which will be made next week.

The exercises will begin at 3:30 o'clock and a most interesting program will be rendered. Mayor Merriam, as chairman of the county organization, will preside. The Putnam orchestra will furnish the music and several notable addresses will be made.

### Expect to Raise Quota.

Campaign Manager George R. Hilly, who is also in charge of the speaker's bureau, is confident that Putnam county will raise its quota of 3,200 members. As state before this is 1,500 more than the quota assigned to this county last year, but it is pointed out that there are no war demands being made on the people at present.

At the meeting tomorrow there will be no solitations. Those attending will not be asked to do a thing, but are requested to lend their every effort to seeing that Putnam county goes over the top. Large delegations are expected from Crescent City, Interlachen, East Palatka, Pomona and other towns throughout the county.

### STATE BOARD EN TOUR.

GAINESVILLE, Nov. 1—After inspecting several sites near the city and mostly adjacent to the railways, the Board of State Institutions composed of the Governor and his cabinet returned to the city late yesterday afternoon and made ready to leave today for Bronson to inspect the site which that city is offering for the location of the State Institution for the Feeble Minded. The trip this morning to Bronson was made in automobiles. The party will return to the city tonight and make the trip to Plant City tomorrow for the purpose of inspecting the site offered there.

### BUNNELL SAFE ROBBED OF \$15,000 IN BOOZE

HAD BEEN STORED IN BAD PLACE FOR SAFE KEEPING

Represented Goods Seized From Autos Passing Through From Miami to Jacksonville.

BUNNELL, Nov. 1—The second liquor theft that has occurred in the last month took place at Bunnell last Tuesday night when approximately \$15,000 worth of champagne and other alcoholic beverages were stolen. It is alleged, from the safe in the county courthouse. This safe, it is said, was formerly the property of the Bunnell County Development Company, and doubtless its combination was known to a number of people outside of the county authorities, which may account for the fact that it was opened with no apparent difficulty.

This liquor was confiscated from a truck, it is alleged, that was Jacksonville bound, and at the time of the confiscation was stored by the authorities in the vaults of the county courthouse. For some reason, which is at present unknown, the "joy water" was moved upstairs into the safe Monday, but some one removed it from its place of hiding Tuesday and its present whereabouts are undiscovered so far. Possibly the same "artist" that pulled off a similar affair here recently, has been at work again. At all events, the authorities are minus the liquor and have no clue as to who is the guilty party.

### ENGLAND PROTECTS PIGEONS.

Air Ministry Releases War Workers of Feathered Service.

(By United Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 1—The Air Ministry is releasing its gallant pigeon war-workers, nearly 100,000 strong.

Just now while grouse shooting is in full swing sportsmen are asked not to point their guns at any pigeon that is not beyond all possibility of doubt a wild one.

During the war the carrier pigeons saved the life of many a soldier and sailor and authorities say it would be a tragic pity if any of these gallant helpers should survive the risks of war only to be killed by their friends in times of peace.

### DROWNS IN PHOSPHATE PIT.

LAKELAND, Nov. 1—Cleo Hughes, a young white man employed by the Phosphate Mining Company, met death yesterday by drowning in a phosphate pit at Christina.

### AMERICAN LEGION CHAPTER WILL BE ORGANIZED HERE

CHARTER HAS ARRIVED AND MEETING WILL BE HELD NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT TO ELECT OFFICERS AND FORMULATE PLANS FOR ORGANIZATION.

For the purpose of organizing these who were in service during the great struggle into a Palatka Post of the American Legion, a meeting will be held at the court house Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock. A charter for the Palatka Post has arrived from Florida.

All soldiers, sailors, red cross nurses or others actively enlisted in the military forces during the war, are urged to be present. In addition to the organization of the post it is important that some action be taken on the question of bonus for service men, so that a report can be made to the national convention.

The national convention of the American Legion will be held at Minneapolis on November 10, 11 and 12, at which time the one absorbing question of bonuses will be taken up.

Thirty-six bonus bills have been introduced in Congress to date. Whatever action Congress takes in regard to these measures will depend very largely, if not entirely, upon the national convention at Minneapolis. Among the things to be acted upon here at the national convention will be the following: The establishment of the permanency of the American Legion, and the announcement of a future course along the lines laid down at St. Louis and Paris, as amended or modified by the members of the organization. This will involve the election of permanent officers; the adoption of permanent policies of organization, down through the state branches and the local posts; methods of routine procedure; membership questions of eligibility and transfer, and momentary of post, state and national officers; location of national headquarters, and other matters of organization detail now held in abeyance. The convention will have the far-reaching task of declaring the legion's policy with regard to national issues, in which the welfare of the country and the welfare of the great

### DISTRIBUTION OF COAL TO BE TASK OF GOVERNMENT

COUNTRY DIVIDED INTO DISTRICTS WITH DIRECTOR AT HEAD OF EACH DISTRICT—ATLANTA WILL BE DISTRIBUTING POINT FOR SOUTH

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—Committees to take charge of coal distribution in the eight regional railroad districts have been appointed by Railroad Director Hines, it was announced today.

The committees will have headquarters in Philadelphia, Atlanta, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Boston, New York and St. Louis.

The appointment of committees followed an order turning over to Director Hines the functioning of the fuel administration in distributing coal during the strike.

No disorders in connection with the miners' strike necessitating the use of troops had been reported at the war department this morning.

Edgar Wallace, an official of the miners' department of the American Federation of Labor, declared today the strike order had been effective everywhere. Progress of the strike is being watched with the keenest interest at the white house. A detailed statement of the situation will be laid before the President late today.

### REDS LOSE THREE SHIPS.

(By United Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 1—Three Bolshevik ships were sunk by the British fleet when the red forces attempted a landing in the Gulf of Finland, according to unofficial reports received here today.

### FLORIDA PLAYS SOUTHERN

Good Work Out Game For 'Gators at St. Petersburg Today.

GAINESVILLE, Nov. 1—With a total of eighteen players in tip-top condition, the University of Florida football outfit left last night for St. Petersburg, where it will meet Southern College this afternoon in a gridiron battle. There is no other game on this game that that a pretty high score is expected to be piled up on Southern, state those in a position to know. On the other hand, it is understood that trick plays have been the principal menu of the pigskin warriors at Southern this season as well as the fact that it has a backfield which possesses some of the squirrel nature by way of action, and the buffalo family at charging.

war veterans are intermingled.

All of these great questions will have to be decided on a strictly non-political and non-partisan basis. The act of Congress chartering the American Legion provides that the legion shall not promote the candidacy of any one for public office.

The American Legion has been declared by a newspaper editor to be "the most important and potentially powerful institution in the history of the republic." Active state branches have been established in every state in the Union. Local posts have been organized in more than five thousand communities. When the convention convenes in Minneapolis, on Nov. 10, the membership of the American Legion will exceed one million.

Other matters of serious importance to both the country and ex-soldiers, that will come before the Minneapolis convention, will be: the future military policy of the United States, educational facilities for ex-soldiers and women, the future of war risk insurance, and soldiers' land legislation.

### TWO MILLION TRAINMEN TO TAKE A VOTE

WILL BEGIN BALLOTING ON STRIKE IMMEDIATELY ON RECEIPT OF ANSWER OF DIRECTOR HINES TO THEIR WAGE INCREASE DEMANDS, SHEPPARD SAYS

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—President Sheppard of the Order of Railway Conductors, said today he will order a referendum vote immediately upon receiving an answer from Rail Director Hines to the demands of conductors for wage increase.

The conductors' union is one of the fourteen railroad unions threatening to strike unless the demands are met.

Director Hines early next week is expected to give his answer.

The strike of railroad workers might involve nearly two million men before a settlement, it was estimated today.

### NINE YEAR OLD PRODIGY COMING TO THIS COUNTRY

Musical Wonder From South America to Give Concerts Here.

(By United Press.)

RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 1—Maria AnAntonio, the nine-year old daughter of Senhor and Senhora Vital Ramos de Castro, and Brazil's second infant musical prodigy, is going to the United States to give a series of concerts and to complete her musical education in that country.

Since the time of Senhorita Guinar Novaes, whose remarkable pianistic abilities won international fame and whose talent roused the wonder and admiration of hundreds of thousands of music lovers in the United States Brazil has not produced a musical genius equal to that now displayed by Maria Antonio de Castro.

Maria Antonio, in spite of her short nine years of life, has accumulated the outspoken praise and eulogy of the music critics not only of Brazil but also of Argentina and Uruguay. Her reputation has already reached Europe and she has received many invitations from that continent to develop her talent in the most famous conservatories of the world.

At the advice of her "Maestro" Alfredo Oswald, however her father is taking her to the United States whose musical circles are reported to be equipped with unusual educational facilities while war torn Europe has ceased to be the mecca and shrine of musicians.

### REDFIELD RETIRES.

Secretary of Commerce's Resignation Takes Effect.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—Secretary of Commerce Redfield retired from the cabinet today. Mr. Redfield announced his resignation several weeks ago, but consented to stay until today, because the President was on a tour of the country at time. His successor is unknown. Bernard Baruch has been suggested.

### TO SINK MORE MILLIONS

Baker Asks for \$12,000,000 for Muscle Shoals Project.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—A bill to appropriate twelve million dollars for the improvement of Muscle Shoals, Ala., nitrate plant was introduced today by Representative Kahn of California at request of Secretary of War Baker.